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Congratulations. Your CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Proposal, Practical Guidebook to Prevent and Control Non-native Invasive Plants in Shallow Water Habitats of the Bay-Delta Ecosystem (Proposal Number 99-DA19), has been conditionally approved for funding in the amount of \$76,750.

A grant to fund your proposal will be prepared, executed and administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). A FWS representative will contact you within the next two weeks to begin preparing the scope of work and standard terms and conditions for your proposed grant. Enclosed is the suggested information to be included in each of these items.

Upon review of your proposal submitted in response to the CALFED Bay-Delta Program February 1999 Proposal Solicitation, we noticed that we do not have original versions of the required Federal standard forms, only copies. Before the Federal Government provides funds under grants and cooperative agreements, Federal Regulations require the proposed recipient complete and submit certain prescribed standard forms. These standard forms were included in the PSP under Attachment E and referenced as a proposal requirement on page 41. These forms are also available through the Internet at [www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/](http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/). For your convenience, we are enclosing copies of the following three forms, along with copies of the forms you submitted:

SF-424            Application for Federal Assistance (2 pages)  
SF-424A        Budget Information-Non-Construction Programs (4 pages)  
SF-424B        Assurance--Non-Construction Programs (pages)

The enclosed forms must be completed and submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4001 N. Wilson Way, Stockton, CA 95205-2486, Attention: Kim Webb, within 10 working days of the signed receipt for this letter. Failure to submit these standard forms by the deadline stated indicates non-responsiveness on your part and as such funding for your proposal will be rescinded.

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**CALFED Agencies**

<b>California</b>	The Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Department of Water Resources California Environmental Protection Agency State Water Resources Control Board Department of Food and Agriculture	<b>Federal</b>	Environmental Protection Agency Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Bureau of Reclamation U.S. Geological Survey Bureau of Land Management U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service U.S. Forest Service Department of Commerce National Marine Fisheries Service Western Area Power Administration
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Your project has been assigned the CALFED project number 99-F10. Please refer to your CALFED project number in any future correspondence. Additional information on the PSP results is available on the CALFED website at <http://www.calfed.water.ca.gov> or you may request a copy of this information, by calling (916) 657-2666.

Your contract with FWS will contain the requirements listed in the February 99 PSP (enclosed). These include:

- Project proponent commences work only after a funding agreement has been signed;
- Project proponent is responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable laws and regulations including the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and other environmental permitting requirements, and will submit copies of all environmental compliance documents and permits;
- Project proponent prepares a plan indicating how the public, adjoining property owners and local governments will be informed or be allowed to participate in the project planning and development and permits;
- Project proponent develops a CALFED-approved Project Monitoring/Methods Plan, in order to show progress toward the intended ecological/biological objectives and to provide input to the adaptive management process of the CALFED Program. This plan must be developed before beginning any monitoring;
- Project proponent may be required to make oral presentations at annual review meetings;
- Project proponent submits quarterly progress reports on time and complete;
- Project proponent furnishes proof of the availability of cost sharing funds (if CALFED is funding only a portion of the project); and
- Project proponent submits a final report at the end of the project.

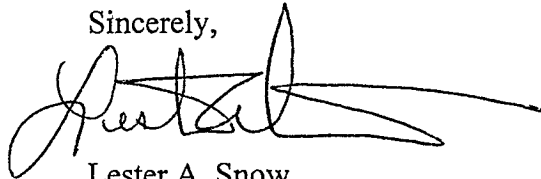
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Failure to comply with these requirements in a timely and responsive manner may jeopardize funding of your project. FWS, based on recommendation from CALFED, reserves the right to withdraw funding or withhold payment on the Agreement based on failure to comply with disclosed requirements in a timely and responsive manner.

The California Department of Fish and Game's (CDFG) Central Valley Bay-Delta Branch is available to you with identification of project requirements, information on processing permit applications or environmental documentation, determination of readiness of applications, and facilitation of resolution to problems related to permits or environmental documentation. For assistance, contact CDFG at (209) 948-7800 or e-mail to [PermitsInfo@delta.dfg.ca.gov](mailto:PermitsInfo@delta.dfg.ca.gov)

We are sending these results to you as the main point of contact for this proposal. Please contact the other members of your application team and inform them of the results. We look forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Webb at FWS (209) 946-6400 x311 or Peter Jacobsen at CALFED (916) 653-3790.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lester A. Snow', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lester A. Snow  
Executive Director

Enclosures

cc: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
California Department of Fish and Game